### **Announcements**

□ Homework for tomorrow...

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Ch. 30: CQ 6, Probs. 10, 14, & 16
29.26: U_C(t) = (1.1 \times 10^{-3} t^2) \text{ J for } 0 < t < 3\text{s}
U_C(t) = (1.0 \times 10^{-2}) \text{ J for } 3\text{s} < t < 4\text{s}
29.29: a) U_C = 1.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ J} b) u_E = 0.71 \text{ N/m}^2
29.60: 20 \mu\text{F}
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□ Office hours...

MW 10-11 am TR 9-10 am F 12-1 pm

■ Tutorial Learning Center (TLC) hours:

MTWR 8-6 pm F 8-11 am, 2-5 pm Su 1-5 pm

# Chapter 30

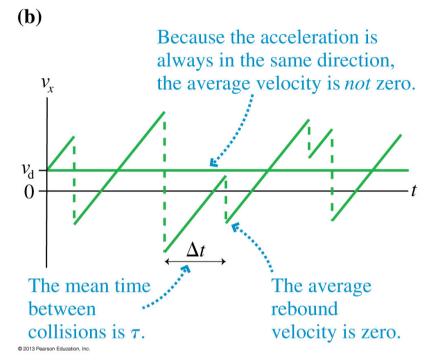
#### **Current & Resistance**

(Current and Current Density & Conductivity and Resistivity)

#### A Model of Conduction

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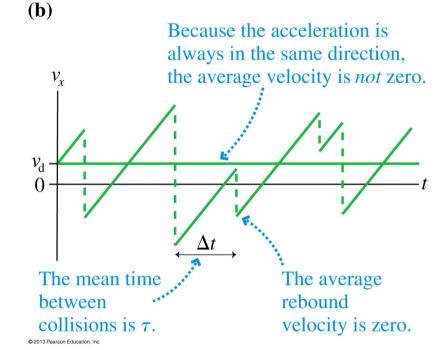
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$$v_d = \frac{e\tau}{m}E$$

so the electron current is..

$$i_e = \frac{n_e e \tau A}{m} E$$



## i.e. 30.3: Collisions in a copper wire

i.e. 30.1 found the electron current to be 2.6 x  $10^{19}$  s<sup>-1</sup> for a 2.0 mm diameter copper wire in which the electron drift speed is  $1.0 \times 10^{-4}$  m/s.

If an internal E-field of 0.020 V/m is needed to sustain this current, how many collisions per second, on average, do electrons in copper undergo?

#### 30.3:

### **Current and Current Density**

Define the *current*...

$$I \equiv \frac{dQ}{dt}$$

For a steady current...

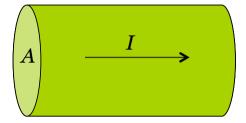
$$I = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t}$$

SI Units?

$$[I] = \frac{C}{s} \equiv A_{\text{Amperes or "amps"}}$$

### 30.3: Current and Current Density

So, how is the *current* related to the *electron current?* 

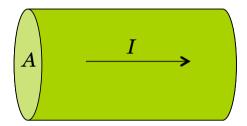


#### 30.3:

### **Current and Current Density**

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$$I = ei_e$$



#### Notice:

The direction of the current is *defined* to be the direction in which positive charges *seem* to move.

# i.e. 30.4: The current in a copper wire

The electron current in the copper wire of i.e.'s 30.1 and 30.3 was  $2.7 \times 10^{19}$  electrons/s.

What is the current *I*?

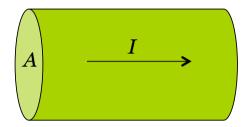
How much charge flows through a cross section of the wire each hour?

#### 30.3:

### **Current and Current Density**

Define the *current density*...

$$J \equiv \frac{I}{A}$$



SI Units?

$$[J] = \frac{A}{m^2}$$

## 30.3: Current and Current Density

The *current density* in a wire...

$$J \equiv \frac{I}{A} = \eta_e e v_d$$

# i.e. 30.5: Finding the electron drift speed

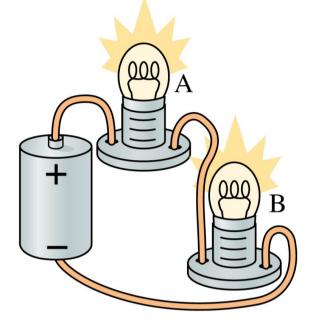
A 1.0 A current passes through a 1.0 mm diameter aluminum wire.

What are the current density and the drift speed of the electrons in the wire?

### Quiz Question 1

A and B are identical light bulbs connected to a battery as shown.

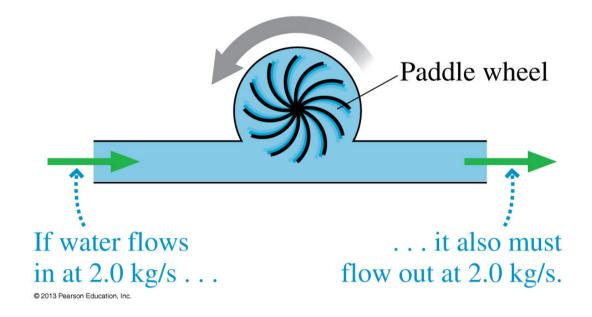
Which is brighter?



- 1. Bulb A.
- 2. Bulb B.
- 3. The bulbs are equally bright.

#### **Conservation of Current**

### H<sub>2</sub>O Pipe Analogy:

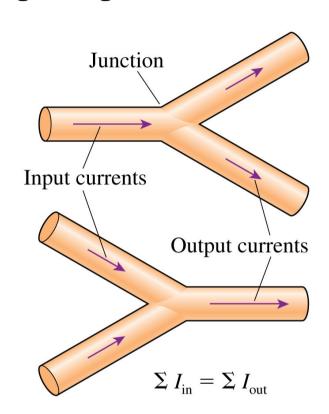


#### **Conservation of Current**

- □ The rate of electrons leaving a light bulbs is *exactly the same* as the rate of electrons entering the light bulb.
- □ The current does NOT change!

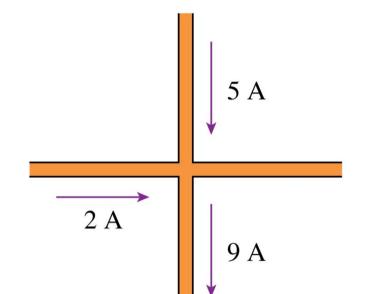
#### Kirchoff's Junction Rule

$$\sum I_{in} = \sum I_{out}$$



### Quiz Question 2

The current in the fourth wire is



- 1. 16 A to the right.
- 2. 4 A to the left.
- 3. 2 A to the right.
- 4. 2 A to the left.
- 5. Not enough information to tell.

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$$J = \sigma E$$

where 
$$\sigma = \frac{n_e e^2 \tau}{m} = \text{conductivity}$$

#### 30.4:

### Conductivity and Resistivity

How the current density, *J*, is related to the *E*-field driving the current:

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#### Notice:

- 1. *Current* is caused by the *E*-field exerting forces on the charge carriers.
- 2. The *current density* (& *current*) depend *linearly* on the *strength* of the *E*-field.
- 3. The *current density* also depends on the *conductivity* of the material.